Past Pursuits

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The Old Summit County Infirmary

Who were the people who lived and died at the Infirmary? Census returns, death records and newspaper accounts give us some idea. Many were from the Summit County area and had no one else to care for them in their later years. Others were epileptic or suffering with tuberculosis or alcoholism.

The common denominator was their destitution and the lack of friends or relatives to care for them. Examples include Louis Droulette who was something of a celebrity at the Infirmary having spent upwards of 30 years there. A Frenchman by birth, he was over 100 years old by the time he died in 1866. There was Cyrus Osborn, a deserter from the Civil war and area ne'er do well. Abandoning his family here in Summit County, he spent several years "missing;" his wife presuming him to be dead. Returning at the end of his life to the Akron area, he spent his last few weeks in the Infirmary. There was Levi Brooker, a farm laborer and resident of Copley for several years before entering the Infirmary for the last 17 years of his life. There are many other examples that could be cited here, all equally sad. **continued on page 3**

Pictured above is the Old Summit County Infirmary c. 1887, located near the intersection of West Exchange and Rose Boulevard. The bricks for this two storied, multi-wing building were made on the grounds largely by labor provided by the inmates.

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Preparing for an Adoption Search by Adoption Network Cleveland

Are you touched by adoption? Thinking of searching for someone? To assist those who are considering or beginning an adoption search, Special Collections has invited representatives from Adoption Network Cleveland to present the following two programs on *Preparing for an Adoption Search*.

> Thursday, April 27, 6:00-8:00 pm
> Fairlawn-Bath Branch Library,
> 3101 Smith Rd. 330.666.4888
>
> Saturday, May 6, 10:30 am-12:30 pm
> Firestone Park Branch Library,
> 1486 Aster Ave. 330.724.2126

Pre-registration is requested, and space is limited. Call the appropriate branch to pre-register.

These programs will address making the decision to search or not to search and will help potential searchers prepare for the emotional issues that they may face throughout the search process. It will also provide an overview of library sources that can be helpful in adoption searches.

Founded in 1988, Adoption Network Cleveland is a nonprofit educational, advocacy, support, and search group for people affected by adoption. It is a volunteer-based organization whose members include adult adoptees, birthparents, adoptive parents, families, and professionals who wish to openly explore adoption-related issues. Among the organization's services are monthly search workshops and search assistance for its members (membership is $40/individual, and there is a one-time search fee of $25). As they begin their search, local members are required to attend at least two general meetings, which are held five times each month in locations throughout Cuyahoga, Summit, and Lake Counties, including Akron. For more information on Adoption Network Cleveland, visit http://www.adoptionnetwork.org/.

On-Line Records Update

The Ohio Historical Society has updated their on-line death certificate index to include deaths through 1944. They have also adjusted their searches by year to only include two categories; 1913 – 1935 and 1936 – 1945. See http://www.ohiohistory.org/dindex/.

You can now search birth and death records from the Barberton Health District on line at http://www.barbertonhealth.org/vital.htm. Although the Barberton Health District holds records from 1909 only the records from 1948 and later are available.

Summit County OGS now has a blog – http://summitogs.blogspot.com. This web log is for members to post announcements, tips or other useful information. Anyone can search the blog using the options at the top of the page.

Glendale Cemetery Records

Summit County OGS is still diligently working on recording Glendale Cemetery's Burial Book No. 1 before it deteriorates to the point of being completely unreadable. This book contains Burials 1 through 5,715, covering the years of 1838 through 1891. The OGS Chapter has already published a book containing records of the first 1,705 burials, and this second publication will contain the next 4,000! Glendale is one of the oldest cemeteries in the Akron/Summit County area, and these records are invaluable to genealogical researchers.

Summit County OGS still needs help entering these 4,000 burial records into a database. The Chapter is in desperate need of volunteers who would be able to go to Glendale Cemetery for a few hours at a time to check these typed pages against the original book. Someone would go with you the first time and give you complete instructions. This is a race against time in order to preserve these important historical records. If you are interested in this project, please contact Lois Noirot at NoirotHome@aol.com.

Infirmary continued

Life at the infirmary was not easy for everyone. It was a working farm, producing grain cereals and complete with the requisite farm animals. This situation enabled the inmates to supplement their institutional diets with eggs, milk, and fresh vegetables. In addition, surplus agricultural products were sold to the public to help defray institutional costs. But they were not completely self sufficient. According to a 1916 Commissioners Report, among those items ordered for the operation of the Infirmary were six barrels of sugar, four barrels of salt, 650 lbs. of coffee, 5,000 lbs. of beef, two barrels of oyster crackers, 50 lbs. of soda crackers, and 50 lbs. of prunes. Also requisitioned were 200 lbs. of smoking tobacco and 250 lbs of "Yankee Girl Plug."

Over the years many persons died at the Infirmary and having no one to take charge of their remains, were interred on the property in the cemetery established for that purpose. Although the exact location and dimensions of the cemetery are unknown, it must have been fairly substantial in size as no less than 209 people are known to have been buried there during the time period from January 1909 through July 1916. An examination of the death certificates during this time reveals a goodly number were single and of foreign birth, most likely coming to Akron for work in the rubber factories. Sadly, there were also a significant number of infants and of "unknown" persons; mostly transients found deceased beside railroad tracks after being struck by a train. In addition, there were no less than 156 persons whose place of death was recorded as "County Infirmary" in Summit County Probate Court Death Records between 1867 and 1908. Undoubtedly, many others went unreported, as death records previous to statewide registration are spotty at best. It is logical to assume that a substantial number of these pre-1909 deaths were also interred at the Infirmary cemetery.

Oral tradition holds that the remains in this "old" cemetery were removed to the new Infirmary cemetery during WPA days in the 1930s. Although unsubstantiated at this time, there may be something to this as a newspaper column from July of 1912 reported that an offer had been made to the county commissioners for the property and the potential buyer's only condition was "that the burial ground known as potter's field shall be removed by the county." But again, this cannot be proved as no mention was made in the newspaper of its removal. As late as September 9, 2005, construction crews were being warned to be on the lookout for human remains while installing drainage lines in Schneider Park.

In November of 1915, the voters of Summit County were asked to pass a proposition allowing the commissioners to use money then in the county treasury and earmarked for the upkeep of the Infirmary to buy property for a new Infirmary. The measure passed and land was acquired in Munroe Falls for the new Infirmary in late June of 1916. It is interesting to note that burials at the "new" Infirmary began almost immediately with the initial interments occurring that August.

On August 10, 1916, the Infirmary and grounds were sold to Philip H. Schneider (for whom nearby Schneider Park was named) of the Central Realty Co. for just over $300,000. The actual building was kept in service until the spring of 1919, with the move to the new building at Munroe Falls taking place between April 26 and May 15 of that year.

In the end, it was Akron's own prosperity that caused the relocation. The city of Akron had steadily advanced its limits and was now beginning to surround the Infirmary. No one wanted the Infirmary in their neighborhood. The land on which the Infirmary sat was coveted by developers and indeed had been surveyed and plotted long before the grounds were finally abandoned for the new facility in Munroe Falls. Even the *Beacon Journal* in a 1915 editorial had advocated the sale of the property stating "the property has become too valuable to be used longer as an infirmary site."

Today the site of the Old Summit County Infirmary is indistinguishable from the surrounding upscale neighborhood.

Local Artists Featured

As many library visitors have undoubtedly noticed, much of the original artwork from the former Main Library was reinstalled in our new building. Favorites such as "Garden Trio" by Harry Wheeler, "Birth of Athena" by Robert Morow, and others may still be seen and enjoyed by visitors. The new Main Library has proven to be a most complementary site for these important works.

The Library has maintained a commitment to supporting our local arts community by installing artwork by local artists at Main Library and all of our branches. Our newest acquisitions are two paintings by local artist, Claire Cressler. Mr. Cressler, now 95 years old, worked for many years as a commercial artist designing billboards. In his retirement, he produced a series of paintings depicting landmarks and the demolition of downtown Akron buildings. These paintings were recently featured in an exhibit at Summit ArtSpace. Two of the paintings, *Arches, 1985*, a dramatic view of the Viaduct Bridge, and *End of an Era: Quaker Oats, 1986*, which depicts the demolition of one of the Quaker Oats building on South Howard, were recently acquired by the Library. They will soon be installed at Main Library for all to appreciate and enjoy.

Will Collins, former Akron Public Library Director (1929-1944), was not only an effective administrator, but an accomplished painter, photographer, and printmaker, as well. In the 1930s, Mr. Collins worked primarily in the medium of linoleum prints, a method of printmaking which involves the application of ink to linoleum that has been incised. During this time, he produced a limited edition book, *Sun Over a City,* which includes twelve linoleum prints depicting various Akron scenes and landmarks such as the Goodyear Airdock, the Viaduct, the old Post Office, and Quaker Oats. These fascinating prints have been enlarged and hung on the wall directly across from the new Main Library auditorium.

On Exhibit

The Art and Nature of Joe Jesensky
Special Collections Exhibit Case – Third Floor
On Loan from Metro Parks, Serving Summit County

In September 2005, Metro Parks Serving Summit County honored 99-year-old Joe Jesensky for his contribution to recording the history, flora, and fauna of the Cuyahoga Valley. Joe began exploring the area as a young art student and over the years documented in writings and drawings his impressions and knowledge of the area. It has been stated that no one has traversed as much of the Park as Joe.

As an artist for the Cleveland Metropolitan Parks, a forester and map maker with the Ohio Division of Forestry, and an artist and naturalist with the Akron Metropolitan Parks, Joe remained connected to the Park throughout his career. In 1971, he retired from Goodyear, where he had worked first as a blueprint designer for the Corsair airplane and later as a graphic artist.

This exhibit, created by Metro Parks, chronicles Joe's love of the Valley and includes original drawings, photographs, maps, and archaeological data from the 1920s to the present. Although Joe is no longer able to hike his beloved Valley, he remains active. He will celebrate 100 years this September.

Request for Information about Charles P. Limbert

Renowned Arts and Crafts furniture maker Charles P. Limbert lived in the Akron area between 1866 and 1885. His father, Levi H. Limbert, made and sold furniture in his store on South Howard Street. The furniture is usually stamped with L.H. Limbert or Levi H. Limbert. If you have any pieces of the furniture or information on Levi, his wife, Emmaline Potter, or their children, Charles, Levi, Ollie, Alden, and Clara, please contact Lachlan McIntosh at 330.724.2181.

Building our Collections

Preserving local history is a team effort. Unlike other subject divisions of the library, we usually can't turn to a commercial catalog to identify and acquire new materials for our local history collection. The strength of our collections depends largely upon the generosity of residents who work with us to make their materials available to the larger community.

So remember Special Collections the next time you look through your family photos, come across that stack of yearbooks while cleaning your closet, or find historic Summit County postcards at the flea market. We are always interested in receiving donations of yearbooks, photographs, and journals concerning local people, places and events. If you're not ready to part with something just yet, we'd be happy to borrow it and make a copy for our collection. If something isn't a fit for our collection, we can help you identify another local repository that can preserve or make use of it.

Here are a few examples of materials that we would love to add to our collection:

Yearbooks from any Summit County school. Our yearbooks are used almost daily, but we have incomplete collections for some schools.

Photographs of local buildings, events, and attractions. We receive requests every winter for photographs of the holiday displays at Polsky's and O'Neils, but our collections do not include any. We also have very few photographs of Summit County's amusement parks.

Photographs, clippings and memorabilia about local businesses, organizations and community groups. Akron has been home to numerous potato chip manufacturers between the 1920s and 1990s, but we have only city directory listings and a few clippings from the *Akron Beacon Journal*.

If you have something that you'd like to share, contact us at 330.643.9030 and help preserve Summit County's history for generations to come.

Family Files

In addition to our growing collection of published Family Histories, we maintain vertical files containing family research that has not yet resulted in a published book. Our family history files contain ancestor charts, newspaper clippings, vital records and handwritten notes donated by genealogists researching that family. They are organized by the primary family name with references to related families.

Call the reference desk 330.643.9030 or stop by the Main Library to see if one of your family lines can be found in our Family Files. You can also find out how to donate some of your research to our collection.

Genealogy & Local History for Kids & Teens

Is your child thinking of researching your family tree for a scouting merit badge or as a 4-H project? Are you a teacher who assigns a "day you were born" project or wants students to use primary sources in their research? Do you have a grandchild with whom you'd like to share your love of family history?

If so, contact Special Collections to see how we can help. In addition to our wide variety of local history and genealogy resources, we have books specifically for young genealogists within our circulating collection, and other books and videos can be found in the Children's Library or at branch locations. For more information, call us at 330.643.9030 or see http://www.akronlibrary.org/internetresources/sc/pathfinders/genealogyforkids.pdf.

The Akron Beacon Journal

Special Collections now has the complete run of the *Akron Beacon Journal* microfilm. The Magazines & Newspapers Division transferred all of their holdings of the *Akron Beacon Journal* (1939- current) to us. They also provided two additional microfilm reader/printers. We now have eight.

Immigrants to Akron

In 1836, when North Akron and South Akron joined to become the Akron, Ohio we know today, they created economic opportunities that drew millions of people here from all over the world. Each new group of immigrants added their stories, food, and traditions to our history.

Many of the Irish came here to build the canals and stayed. The Italian stone masons came to add impressive embellishments to some of the most distinctive buildings in Akron. Germans came and built empires of oatmeal and beer. West Virginians who came to work in the rubber factories helped to create our cultural legacy. The *Akron Beacon Journal* article below shows how proud of their different heritages our forefathers were.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

It Was Observed at the City Building.

Though of distinctly German descent, Mayor Kempel showed his favoritism for St. Patrick Saturday by wearin' the green.

"Erin go Bragh" were the words inscribed on a ribbon of the prevailing color, and above all of the insignia of the day, was a green carnation. The mayor even outdid Chief Durkin, the Irishman of Irishmen.

Saturday broke the record for cold weather on St. Patrick's day. The thermometer registered ten degrees above zero. The services of St. Patrick would have never been needed had it been that cold in Ireland the day the patron saint performed his great service, sons of Erin observed Saturday as they rubbed their chilled ears.

Green carnations, green neckties, green ribbons and green decorations were in plenty, and were worn promiscuously as a matter of sentiment and duty.

Akron Beacon Journal, Akron, OH; Saturday 17 March 1906, 10:5

Over the next several issues, we will highlight each ethnic group and discuss how and when many of them came to Akron. We will offer research approaches and resource recommendations for genealogists looking for their immigrant ancestors.

Local History Events

Fourth Annual African American Landmarks
Cleveland Restoration Society
Saturday, March 11, 2:00 – 5 pm
Dreck Spurlock Wilson, editor of *African American Architects: A Biographical Dictionary, 1865 – 1945,* will lead an interactive discussion. Join us at the Western Reserve Historical Society. Call Janice Radl at 216.426.3107 to register.

Ghoulardi & Big Chuck
TV Dinner Club Museum
Sunday, March12, 1:30 – 5 pm
Join us at the Akron Main Library for a showing of the award winning video *25 Years of Friday Nights.* Tom Feran, Rich Heldenfelds and Big Chuck will speak, answer questions, and sign autographs. The museum will host a reception following the video. For more information, call 330.849.0119.

Mustill Store Volunteer Trainings & Refreshers
Cascade Locks Park Association
Wednesday, March 22, 12:30 – 2:30 pm OR
Saturday, March 25, 12:30 - 2:30 pm
Open to all current and prospective volunteers. Learn what it takes to be a Mustill Store greeter and join us for the 2006 season to start in April. Shifts are three hours on Saturdays and Sundays throughout the spring, summer, and fall.

Mustill Store Season Kick-off
Cascade Locks Park Association
Saturday, April 1, 1:00 - 5:00 pm
Help us kick off our new season! There'll be music on the porch, historical children's games, and hotdogs and burgers grilling in the yard. The Mustill Store will be open weekends from 12-6 pm.

Spring Speaker Series at the Mustill Store
Cascade Locks Park Association
Wednesday, April 26, 7 pm
Carl Ehmann will present a slide show and talk entitled "Historic Akron Waterways," covering the Ohio & Erie and Pennsylvania & Ohio Canals, as well as the Chuckery and Cascade millraces.

A First Look at the New John Hay High School; Benefit for the Cleveland Restoration Society
Cleveland Restoration Society
Saturday, April 29 5 – 11 pm
Tour John Hay's magnificent interior, which includes two murals produced by the Works Progress Administration and enjoy jazz performed by students of the Cleveland Municipal School District. For more information, call 216.426.1000.

Spring Speaker Series at the Mustill Store
Cascade Locks Park Association
Wednesday, May 10, 7 pm
Denny Reiser presents his program "Hats off to Ohio," taking us from 1803 to present as he dons the period 'hats' of our ancestors who helped to make our state great.

Lincoln Ellsworth's Polar Expedition
Hudson Library & Historical Society
Sunday, May 21, at 1 pm
Famed polar explorer Will Steger will be at the library and historical society to discuss the contributions of Hudson's own polar explorer Lincoln Ellsworth and the current state of polar exploration. Will Steger is an educator, polar explorer, photographer, writer, and lecturer.

Spring Speaker Series at the Mustill Store
Cascade Locks Park Association
Wednesday, June 14, 7 pm
Rob and Peg Bobel will sign copies of the "2006 Towpath Companion" after a presentation acquainting us with what is new and what should not be missed along the towpath trail. Joe Jesensky will also be on hand to sign copies of his book, *Joe's Place*.

Canal Clean up
Cascade Locks Park Association
Saturday, May 6, 8:30 am - 12:30 pm
Join CLPA and EnviroScience Inc. for our spring cleanup of the canal and the Little Cuyahoga River. Lunch is provided. Permission forms for anyone under 18 required and waivers for adults.

Genealogy Events

Palatines to America
Hudson Genealogical Study Group
Saturday, March 11, 9:30 am
Presented by Ann Miller Scott. For more information, call the Hudson Library & Historical Society at 330. 653-6658.

Put Your Family on the Web
Computer Assisted Genealogy Group
Saturday, March 18, 9:30 am
The morning session is presented by Jean Hoffman and the afternoon, "RootsWeb Email Lists" by Dick Rose. Join us at Fairview Regional Park Library, 21255 Lorain Road.

Piecing the Puzzle of Penzance
Summit County OGS
Saturday, March 18, 1 pm
Linda Mann was featured in an *Akron Beacon Journal* article in 2005 describing two decades of researching her Cornish ancestry. She will talk about her methods and discoveries. Join us at the Akron-Summit County Main Library.

What's a Prothonotary?
Hudson Genealogical Study Group
Saturday, March 18, 9:30 am
Presented by Elissa Scalise Powell, this is a guide to Pennsylvania Courthouses. For more information, call the Hudson Library & Historical Society at 330. 653-6658.

Beginner's Genealogy Class – Genealogy 101
WRHS Genealogy Committee
Saturday, March 25, 12pm- 2pm
This class is for the person who is new tracing their roots. Join us at the Western Reserve Historical Society Library in Cleveland, Ohio. For more information, call Roger Ellsworth at 216.229.7887.

Monthly Meeting
African-American Genealogical Society
Saturday, March 25, 9:30 am-12pm
Join us at the Maple Heights Public Library at 5225 Library Lane for our monthly meeting.

Genealogy Research at the Akron Main Library
Hudson Genealogical Study Group
Saturday, April 8, 9:30 am
Join us for a field trip and tour the Special Collections Division of the Akron-Summit County Public Library. For more information, call the Hudson Library & Historical Society at 330.653.6658.

Success with Search Engines
Computer Assisted Genealogy Group
Saturday, April 15, 9:30 am
The morning session is presented by Lorraine Newsome and the afternoon is "Keeping what you Find." Join us at Fairview Regional Park Library.

Preserving Glendale's History
Summit County OGS
Saturday, April 15, 1 pm
Russell Sibert, Vice President of Board Operations at the University of Akron, will explain his project to retrieve and preserve records from the attic of the office at Glendale Cemetery. Join us at the Akron-Summit County Main Library.

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African-American Genealogical Society
Saturday, April 22, 9:30 am-12pm
Join us at the Maple Heights Public Library at 5225 Library Lane for our monthly meeting.

Preparing for an Adoption Search
Thursday, April 27, 6:00-8:00 pm
Presented by Adoption Network Cleveland, this program can help you to make the decision to search or not and prepare you for that search. For more information and to register, call the Fairlawn-Bath Branch Library at. 330. 666.4888.

German Seminar
WRHS Genealogy Committee
Tuesday, May 2, 9:30 am – 4 pm
John Humphrey, award-winning author and President of the Mid-Atlantic Germanic Society, speaks on *Researching German Ancestors, Finding Your German Ancestor's Place of Origin*, and *Using Church Records in Germany.* Reserve your space by March 28 ($30 for members and $35 for non-members). For more information, contact Brent Morgan at 216.382.7297.

Preparing for an Adoption Search
Saturday, May 6, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm
Presented by Adoption Network Cleveland, this program can help you to make the decision to search or not, and prepare you for that search. For more information and to register, call the Firestone Park Branch Library at 330.724.2126.

Family Associations & Reunions
Hudson Genealogical Study Group
Saturday, May 13, 9:30 am
Presented by Ted Minier & Gwen Mayer. For more information, call the Hudson Library & Historical Society at 330.653.6658.

Land Records Galore
Computer Assisted Genealogy Group
Saturday, May 20, 9:30 am
The morning session is presented by John Dailey and the afternoon session is To Be Announced. Join us at Fairview Regional Park Library.

Meeting at the Family History Center
Summit County OGS
Saturday, May 20, 1 pm
The center is located in the Church of Jesus Christ Latter Day Saints, 106 E. Howe Rd., Tallmadge, OH. After a guided tour and explanation of materials available, you will have an opportunity to do research.

Palantine's Library in Columbus
Hudson Genealogical Study Group
Saturday, May 20, 9:30 am
For more information on this trip, call the Hudson Library & Historical Society at 330.653.6658.

Monthly Meeting
African-American Genealogical Society
Saturday, May 27, 9:30 am-12pm
Join us at the Maple Heights Public Library at 5225 Library Lane for our monthly meeting.

Confronting the Challenges of Cemeteries
Hudson Genealogical Study Group
Saturday, June 10, 9:30 am
For more information, call the Hudson Library & Historical Society at 330.535.6658.

Planning your next Research Trip
Hudson Genealogical Study Group
Saturday, June 17, 9:30 am
Tips for a successful trip are presented by Wallace Huskonen. For more information, call the Hudson Library & Historical Society at 330.535.6658.

The Life of a Postcard
Computer Assisted Genealogy Group
Saturday, June 17, 9:30 am
The morning session is presented by Jean Hoffman and the afternoon session is To Be Announced. Join us at Fairview Regional Park Library.

Men of the 9th Ohio
Summit County OGS
Saturday, June 17, 1 pm
Harold George will appear in Civil War uniform and present a video show and display of Civil War artifacts. He will give tips on locating civil war veterans' gravesites and a "free" copy of his publication/pamphlet "How to Locate a Gravesite" to everyone present. Autographed copies of his book will be available for purchase.

2006 Annual Conference
Ohio Genealogical Society
27-29 April 2006, Radisson Hotel, Toledo
The 2006 program includes a broad range of presentations for all skill levels; over 60 programs with many nationally-known speakers. Workshops will also be offered on Thursday night for the early birds. For more information, see http://ogs.org/2006conf.php.

We would like to thank the following for their generous donations:

Richard Acker for eighteen enlarged and mounted prints of Akron postcards.

Robert Capanna for *History of the Comstock Patent Medicine Business and Dr. Morse's Root Pills* by Robert Shaw, and *Frank J. Sprague and the Edison Myth* by Harriet Sprague.

Michael Cohill for copies of correspondence and documents from the collection of Roger C. Miller pertaining to the glass marble industry.

Hal Fulton for four 16 mm films about the Soap Box Derby and the Akron Rubber Bowl.

Barbara Griffith for: *Indian Wars and Passive Activities, 1607-1900; Continental Society Daughters of Indian Wars Ancestor Register, Volumes I & II; National Society of the Dames of the Court of Honor Yearbook VI, 1998-2005,* and *The Heritage of Wise County and the City of Norton, Virginia.*

John A. Hanigofsky for the transcribed Civil War Diary of Sergeant Charles A. Smith of Mogadore.

Pamela Jennings for materials pertaining to the Nobil Shoe Company.

David Johnson for *Boyd Braxton Boggess: Gentleman Painter.*

Kenmore Historical Society for 2006 Kenmore Historic Calendars.

Helen Livingston for issues of the *Lothians Family History Society Newsletter* and *The Scottish Genealogist* and *Guide to the Archives of the United States.*

P.R. Miller for six books published by the Werner Publishing Company: *Photographs of the World's Fair; Napoleon: From Corsica to St. Helena; Beautiful Scenes of America; Appletons Physical Geography; Beautiful Britain* and *From the Atlantic to the Pacific.*

Sarah Myers for B. F. Goodrich promotional brochure, *We Are Buckeyes, Who Are You?*

Lois Noirot for CDRom: *Grafton Regis: History and Heritage.*

Portage Trail/Commodore Perry Chapter of the DAR for *Ohio War of 1812 Soldiers Family Groups.*

Sonya Schilling for *Deed Plats and Drafts: Bedford County, Pennsylvania.*

Karen Carmack Stadler for *More Dating Old Photographs, 1840-1929* and *Orrville, Ohio: Walking Through the Past.*

Ralph Witt for a DVD of the dedication of the GAR Memorial at the Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery, April 2005.

And to the *Sounds of Summit* Local Music Collection:

Richard Acker for music CD *Resonant Soul* by Stillwater.

Tony Parker for two copies of music CD *The Bill Jenkins Trio.*

Donna Wurm for materials pertaining to local PTA Mothers Singing Groups.

New to the Collection

Alabama
Alabama Data & Resources
Land Claims in Alabama 1828
Barbour Co. AL funeral records
Abstracts of Chilton Co. 1898-1945
History of Clarke Co.
History of Fayette Co. Alabama
Abstract's of Mobile Co 1813-1837
Newspaper abstracts of Pike Co.
Records of Walker Co. Alabama

Arkansas
Biographical & Historical Memoirs of NE AK
Biographical & Historical Memoirs of NW AK
Biographical & Historical Memoirs of Southern AK
Settlers of Lovely Co. 1820-1830

Connecticut
Branford, CT Cemetery Records
Catalogue of the 1st Congregational Church (in Litchfield)
Manual of the 1st Congregational Church of Torrington, 1893
Members of the 1st Congregational Church in New London, CT.
Manual of the Congregational Church in Simsbury
Manual of the Congregational Church in Thompson
Church Records of Killingly, CT
Record of Mortality of Watertown

Georgia
Cities & Towns of GA1847-1962
Georgia Frontier
Marriages & Obituaries from GA Newspapers
Records of Effingham Co. Georgia
Georgia Salzburgers & Allied Families
This So Remote Frontier

Indiana
Biographical & Historical record of Adams Co. IN
Atlas of Bartholomew Co. IN
Illustrated Atlas of Fayette Co. IN
Atlas of Gibson & Pike Co. IN
Atlas of Hancock Co. IN
Portrait & Biographies of Hendricks Co. IN
Atlas of Hendricks Co. IN
Atlas & Map of Howard Co. IN
Illustrated Atlas of Jackson Co. IN
Lake County Heritage
Illustrated Atlas of Posey Co. IN
Atlas of Putnam Co. IN
Atlas of Ripley Co. IN
History of Starke Co. IN
Farmers Directory of Sullivan Co.
Atlas of Union Co. IN

Kentucky
George Rogers Clark's Fort Jefferson, 1780-1781
Historic Families of Kentucky
Kentucky German Pioneers
Kentucky Pioneers & Their Descendants
Adair Co. Kentucky Birth Records
Adair Co. Kentucky Deaths 1852-1878
Adair Co. Kentucky Marriages
1905 Community & Business directory
Bracken Co. Kentucky Births
Bracken Co. Kentucky Deaths
Bracken Co. Kentucky Marriages
Breathitt Co. Kentucky Births
Breathitt Co. Kentucky Deaths
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Fleming Co. Kentucky Birth Records
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Hardin Co. Kentucky Marriages1825-35
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Hardin Co. Kentucky Will Book C
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History of Johnson Co. Kentucky
Madison Co. Kentucky Births 1852-1859
Mason Co. Kentucky Births
Mason Co. Kentucky Deaths 1852-1859
Mason Co. Kentucky Marriages

Maine

Abstracts of Deaths & News Articles from the Maine Farmer
Maine Cemeteries (Cumberland Co)
Deaths of Various People (Plymouth)
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